

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, October 22, 2019

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton, Laura Benjamin, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Jeremy Gragert, David Klinkhammer, John Lor, Terry Weld and Andrew Werthmann.

Council Members absent: Catherine Emmanuelle.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, October 22, 2019:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the October 8, 2019 Council Legislative Session.
- Authorizing Downtown Eau Claire, Inc. (DECI) to conduct the Let It Glow event on Friday, December 6, 2019, in Phoenix Park in Eau Claire.
- Authorizing Downtown Eau Claire, Inc. (DECI) to conduct Haymarket Holiday on Saturday, December 7, 2019, in downtown Eau Claire at the Haymarket Plaza and on City streets and sidewalks.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Combination Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor license of Cenergy, LLC, d/b/a Mega Holiday #3715, 2806 Golf Road, from Jennifer L. Peery to Amber Schmidt be approved.
- Granting a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license to Ted & Diane Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Best Western Eau Claire South, 3614 Gateway Drive, Guy Rossato, agent.
- Granting a Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license to Wisconsin Apple, LLC, d/b/a Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar, 4745 Golf Road, Joshua Michal, agent.
- Authorizing the Fire Department to apply for grant monies from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation to purchase rope rescue equipment.
- Authorizing the Engineering Department to apply for grant monies through the WisDOT Multimodal Local Supplement (MLS) program.
- Granting petition and waiver for sidewalk repair at 3404 Cummings Avenue, Parcel No. 15-3153.
- Introduction of a resolution amending the City of Eau Claire Schedule of Fees and Licenses, effective January 1, 2020.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Lor "to adopt the consent resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming November 14 to November 20 as Transgender Awareness Week, culminating in the observance of Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20 in the City of Eau Claire.

LICENSE

The City Council considered a resolution granting a Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license and a Class A Cabaret license to Mosk and Ray, LLC, d/b/a Red Coal BBQ, 2839 Mall Drive, Suite #7, Brian T. Moskiewicz, agent. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

GRANTS

The City Council considered a resolution accepting and appropriating Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) formula program funds from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the Fire Department to accept grant monies from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Forest Fire Protection Grant Program to purchase radio equipment and wildland firefighting equipment. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Benjamin “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Operating and Capital Budget appropriations for fiscal year 2019. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

AGREEMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Intent to Negotiate Purchase Agreement Memorandum of Understanding with Merge LLC for property located at 402 S. Farwell Street, the current bus transfer facility site. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution approving the extension of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Eau Claire and the Carson Park Baseball Renovation Group for improvement and renovation of the Baseball Stadium at Carson Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

STEAM LOCOMOTIVE #2719

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement regarding the disposition of the Soo Line Steam Locomotive #2719. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

STANDING AGAINST RACISM

The City Council considered a resolution standing against racism, and supporting a community member and UW-Eau Claire student who faced a racist and hateful attack. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Beaton to “substitute the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote. The complete motion is on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the resolution as substituted.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning a property located at the west end of Lorch Avenue, south of Interstate 94 from TR-1A to C-3P and R-3P and to adopt the general development plan for commercial development and multi-family development for apartment buildings (File Z-1654-19). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to postpone” to allow for Plan Commission consideration within 30 days. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning a property located west of Kane Road, south of Hwy 312/12 from R-2P to R-3P and to adopt the general development plan for multi-family development for apartment buildings (File Z-1653-19). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning a property located at 2408 Vine Street from R-1 to C-3P and to adopt the general development plan for office use (File Z-1656-19).

ANNEXATION

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance in accordance with Section 66.0217 Wisconsin Statutes, annexing to the City of Eau Claire and particularly to the 10th Assessment Ward, 1st Aldermanic District, being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 10-27-9 West, Town of Seymour, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 19-4A (Holland Petition).

ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS

The City Council had first reading on a charter ordinance relating to the City Council and the reapportionment of the Aldermanic Districts of the City of Eau Claire.

PARKING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Table VIII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire entitled "Parking Prohibited."

PAY PLAN & PRACTICES

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending the City of Eau Claire Pay Plan and Practices.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS & LEAVES

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending the City of Eau Claire Employee Benefits and Leaves Plan.

SEWERAGE SERVICE CHARGE

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Chapter 15.04 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire entitled "Sewerage Service Charge" to increase the sewer user charges as proposed in the 2020 Operating Budget.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: October 22, 2019

Time: 4:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl
City Clerk